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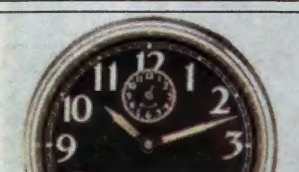
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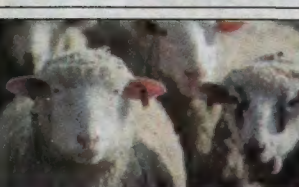
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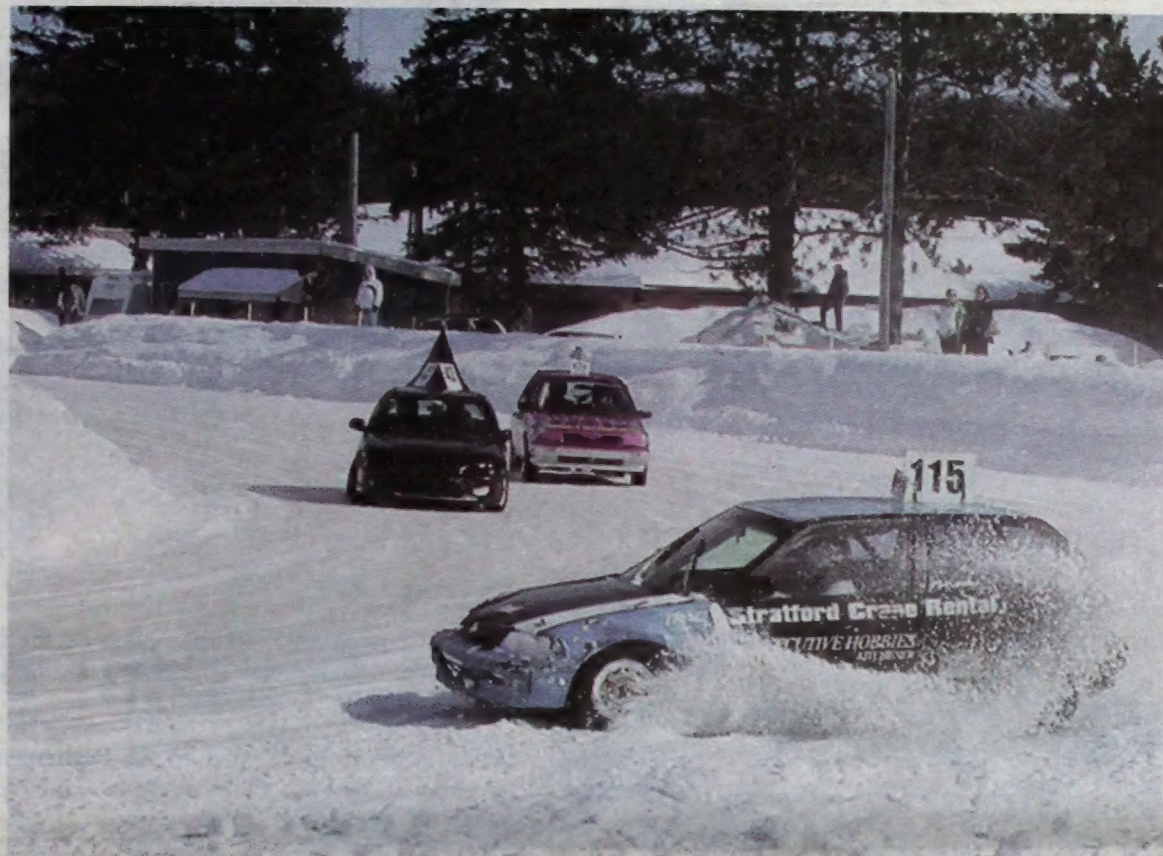
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Where have all the young people gone?

by JENN WATT
Times Staff
Part four of a five-part series on poverty

One of the leading contributors to a stagnant rural population is the out-migration of youth. As Canada's rural areas are dwindling in population size and economic viability, they are also losing young people to the cities. Haliburton County is one of the most stunning examples of this trend, likely because of the in-migration of seniors who come to retire in the Highlands, skewing the population numbers. And while Haliburton's population grew by seven per cent between the 2001 census and 2006, young people between the ages of 20 and 24 continued to drop. One of the big reasons for leaving is to find work or to get a higher education.

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Slip sliding away

This past weekend saw the end of the highly successful 2008 ice racing season at the Minden fairgrounds. Organizers are pleased with the results, and so are many of the racers. For story, please see page 8. Meanwhile, if the ice races are over does that mean we can say goodbye to winter too?

Minden says, goodbye bag tags

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Minden Hills no longer requires bright orange tags from residents bringing in garbage. The township has effectively switched to a one-bag-a-week system two months after introducing a switch to clear garbage bags at landfills. Environmental manager for Minden Hills, Bob Romberg, said that there is no debate over whether the orange tags will stay, though the waste committee is looking into how to deal with exceptional circumstances. For example, in the case where a resident brings his neighbour's garbage to the landfill as a kind



Instead of bag tags, the rule is now one bag per week. gesture, he shouldn't be penalized for that. "The waste management committee's going to look at how best

to deal with that at the next meeting. It's only fair," Romberg said. There have been a few complaints from residents about the one-bag per week limit. Some have said that this system will force more trips to the landfill, wasting more gas and polluting more. Despite this, council thinks that people should be recycling enough to only have one bag a week. Plus, people can bring more than one bag if they pay. It costs \$1 per extra bag. "It's not as though we're the only ones who are charging. It's going on all over the province. It's just how best to encourage residents to recycle so they don't have to pay for garbage," Romberg said.

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Township buys Prince Street property

SEEN & HEARD

Times Staff

This is a new section of the Times providing tidbits of information from around town.

At the February 14 meeting of council, the purchase of 2 Prince Street was finalized. Councillor Bill Obee said in an interview that the property, which is between the fire hall and Pritchard House, was purchased by Minden Hills as "additional lands for future development for the municipality." The land has not yet been designated for any particular use.

Cultural Centre's new director

Daniela Pagliaro will begin as the Cultural Centre's new director on March 17. Diane Graham, the current director, will be staying involved until the opening of the



A bright orange sold sign has adorned the Beaver Theatre for the past couple of weeks. Neither the real estate agent who sold the historic building nor the family who sold it was willing to disclose the new buyer. We'll have to wait and see.

R.D. Lawrence Place on April 22. Pagliaro is currently working at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton and has taught dance in local schools.

Fay first writer-in-residence

The R.D. Lawrence Place has chosen local playwright Michael Fay to be its first writer-in-residence. The post lasts for a year and includes doing conversations with local authors, hosting plays and orchestrating readings among other things.

OPP beat Huskies 10-8

A hockey fundraiser for the Ontario Early Years Centre raised about \$1,000 on Saturday. Sergeant Rick Cazabon, who played in the game, says that although the scoreboard read 9-9 at the end of the game, one of the police team's goals was attributed to the Huskies.

"We actually won 10-8, I'm pretty sure," Cazabon said on Monday.

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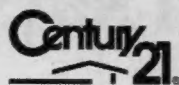
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Entrepreneur wants to recycle electronic waste

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the February 28 Minden Hills council meeting.

Darko Knezevic approached council about taking Minden Hills's electronic waste away for free. In Haliburton County, only Dysart has an e-waste service and it charges users for dropping off such things as TVs, computers, cellphones.

"The concept I'm very much in favour of; I'd rather recycle something than have it thrown out," said councillor Bill Obee.

Knezevic said that 80 per cent of materials in e-waste can be reused. Only the glass components would come back to the landfill.

Questions were raised about whether it is legal to take waste out of the landfill once it has been deposited and whether it was okay for Knezevic to take waste to his property, which is zoned residential.

All councillors said they supported the proposal in principle. Knezevic was pointed to the county waste management committee, where councillor Lisa Schell said he would be able to appeal to all of the municipalities at once.

We need a bus!

Archie Stouffer Elementary School's students' council made a plea to the town for some recreational activities and some form of public transportation. Performing two skits — one for summer and one for winter — the Grades 4 through 8 students acted out typical conversations they have with each other about finding things to do in Minden.

They told council they need things to do and places to go in town like a pool, or a trail to Rotary Park, or a theatre to go to.

The presentation came as part of Communities in Action.

Fee response

Public response to the fees and charges for township programs and services was limited to Ross

Warburton, who told council he was frustrated by the lack of information on the fee increases.

"I would like to have something to compare with it. You show what you're proposing, what was the old [fee]?" Warburton asked.

A package of the new rates proposed by council was provided to the public but the old fees were not in the package. "How can we comment if we don't know what we're talking about?" he asked.

Other than Warburton, no one commented on the fees and, after a closed session, they were passed by council.

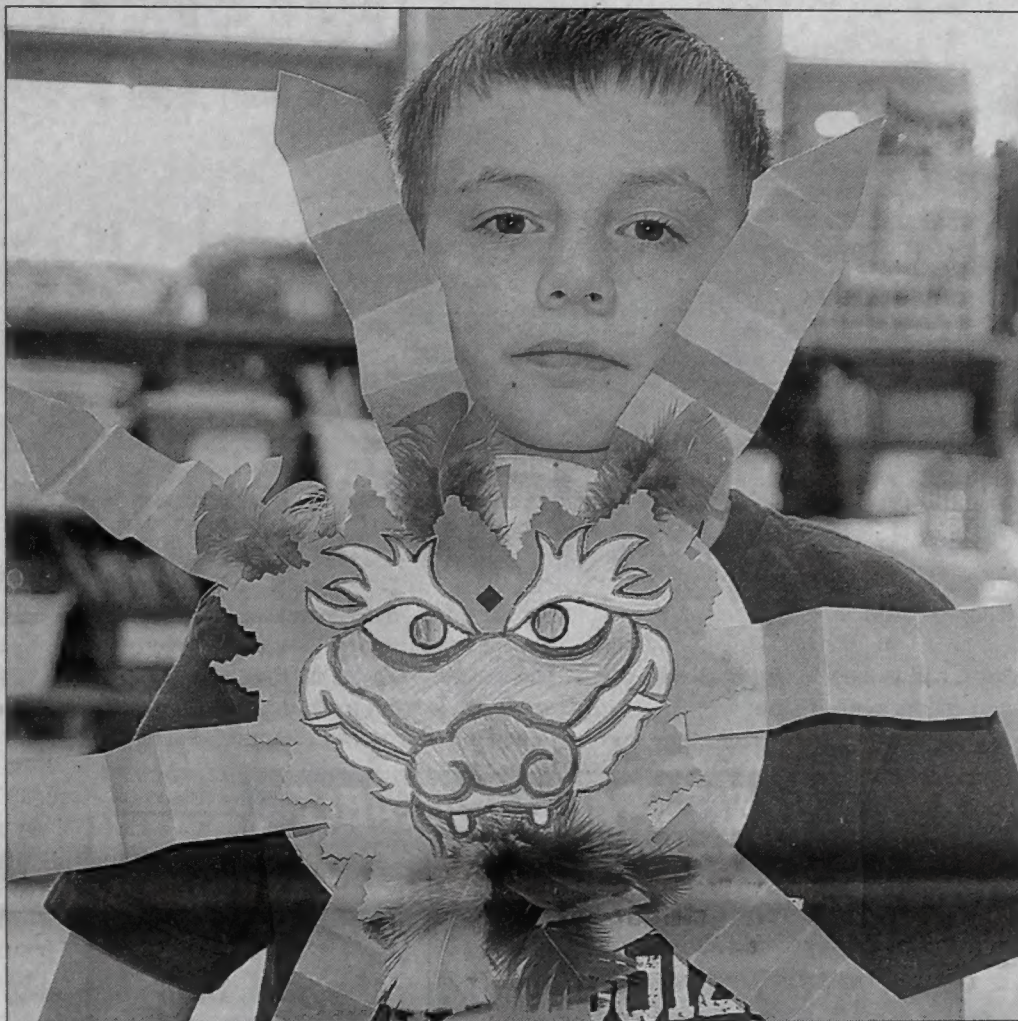
Lagoon blues

Minden's water, sewage and septage are all operating well, according to consultants from D.M. Wills, but are not up to processing septage hauled in from cottages. Bruce Bonner, vice-president of the firm, told council that the water system and waste-water plant are used below capacity. As for a place to bring the estimated 68,000 litres of septage a day from Algonquin Highlands and Minden Hills, a new mechanized process would have to be constructed, Bonner said. There is a lagoon in Algonquin Highlands with limited capacity, but Minden's system can handle only about one truckload of septage every three days.

Councillor Barbara Reid said she was concerned after a December incident where local haulers were shut down because they had nowhere to take the septage.

New tool for seniors

Community Care is distributing Link to Life fridge magnets that can tell emergency workers what prescriptions their patients are on. Annette Richardson, president of Community Care, told council that the idea came from Hunter Creek Estates and has been taken up by the not-for-profit organization. The magnets attach small folders filled with medical information to the refrigerator. Community Care is printing 2,000 at a cost of \$2 each.



Jenn Watt/TIMES



Electing to have fun

Some students at Archie Stouffer stayed indoors Friday for winter electives. Clockwise from top, Grade 5 student Curran Chambers shows off the dragon mask he made; Grade 6 student Megan Milburn puts the last touches on her necklace; and Grade 4 student Kyle Grozelle holds his puppets.

Township of MINDEN HILLS

Population please stay!

Not enough jobs to keep young people here

from page 1

This leads to a cycle that is closely connected to the region's poverty. If youth can't find work in Haliburton, they leave

for the cities, thus decreasing the population of working-age, innovative adults in Haliburton. At the same time, the county's youth are leaving for college and university and not necessarily returning. There just

aren't the highly specialized, well-paying jobs here that higher education trains for. And without the highly educated, young population coming to the county there will never be those types of jobs here.

What is here is a foundation of seasonal, part-time, minimum wage jobs that don't always put food on the table.

Employment counsellor Sharyn Bray from Employment Assistance Services thinks this lack of full-time, stable employment causes youth to innovate in order to remain here.

"The primary employment is tourist-driven. Whether retail, hospitality or construction. We're affected by weather or tourists, or both," she said.

Young people entering the workforce here succeed only if they are willing to make their own way.

"It's about being creative; thinking outside the box; how to make the best out of the situation we have," Bray said.

One of the programs Bray wants local people to consider is the self-employment benefit available to those who are on, or have recently been on, employment insurance. It gives unemployed people small grants to start up businesses in the area — just the kind of creative thinking Bray says is needed to survive in Haliburton.

The education gap

A strong determinant of income is education. Those with higher education tend to make more money over time. In

Haliburton, the percentage of those between 20 and 34 with less than a high school certificate was 16.4 per cent in 2001. That number is higher than the provincial 13.2 per cent, but where the education gap shows the most is in post-secondary schooling.

In Haliburton in 2001, 10.8 per cent of 20- to 34-year-olds had a university degree or diploma. In Ontario, it's 25.7 per cent.

"Understanding Freefall," the interim Senate report on rural poverty says that movement patterns of youth may point to why education is so low.

"Of course, the relatively low levels of educational attainment in rural Canada are partly a byproduct of the migration trends ... The young leave to obtain a higher education and rarely come back; meanwhile, older people with less educational attainment are moving back to rural areas for the early part of their retirement years," the report says.

"We get a gutted economy when we get the people who can [leave] leaving. And the people that are left behind have to make their peace with that — that somehow they were the people who didn't go," says Fay Martin, a former social worker and current anti-poverty activist in Minden.

A quote from a contributor to the report on rural poverty echoes Martin's assessment.

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High school responds to students' career needs

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"There were young people who stayed behind but very often – and this is in the terminology that young people from rural Canada give themselves, if they are stayers or leavers – the stayers are losers," the report says.

It not only feels like there aren't a lot of young people in the county, but a consultant's report to the Workforce Development Board of Haliburton shows the drain over a five year interval of youth.

In 2001, the 15- to 19-year-old cohort had 885 members in the county. In 2006, that same cohort (now between 20 and 24) dropped to 650 people. A 27 per cent loss. In the next cohort range there was some gain between 2001 and 2006 by 6.5 per cent.

The consultant's report calls this the "out-migration" of youth to large neighbouring cities for school and jobs.

When there are no well-paying jobs for highly educated young people, why would they return? That leaves those who probably grew up in poverty with low education levels remaining to take up the same jobs their parents had.

"A fairly consistent group of people are interested in the skilled trades. Most of the skilled trades by far require a Grade 12 and lots of folks have less," said Bernie Nicholson, a training consultant with Job Connect, an organization that helps people prepare for work, in Haliburton.

"It must look like a huge task when you're sitting with a Grade 10 education and you need a Grade 12 and you're looking at getting it on a part-time basis or through alternative measures. It must be a daunting task," Nicholson said.

Opportunities

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is doing what it can to give its students a head start to employment in a county with an 8.4 per cent unemployment rate in the summer and a 30 to 35 per cent rate in the winter.

Wanda Mole, who runs the co-op program at HHSS said that 100 students went through her program this year.

"They're out there to get work experience, to build a portfolio. A lot of them do want to stay here," she said.

And a key to helping young people stay in the county is to allow them to hook up with local employers before they graduate.

"A lot of the kids end up staying here if they find a good job," Mole said.

Another program at the high school, hospitality and tourism, allows students to train for one of the county's biggest employers. Students can take courses throughout high school preparing to work in hotels and resorts.

"They study the hospitality industry and they do a lot of cooking and serving and they study tourism across Canada and worldwide and eco-tourism," said Melissa Stephens, the teacher who runs the course.

"This is only the third year for Haliburton County but we should have had it years ago because we have so many resorts," she said.

Changing the workforce

In order to reduce poverty, the local economy needs to have a diverse array of jobs for all skill-sets and education levels – not just seasonal, minimum-wage jobs.

A big part of that depends on growth of a working-age population with education and ideas.

Sharyn Bray thinks the best way for that to happen is through local people starting their own businesses.

The only way for an engineer to find a job to fit her skills is to start her own business here. And if people begin to create those types of jobs, more people and more businesses follow.

"People have to be flexible and adapt and think differently," Bray said.

The last of the series on poverty in the county will run next week focusing on the ways other communities have worked successfully to alleviate poverty.

February brought a season total of 10 feet of snow

by PHIL GRAHAM
Special to The Times

And we thought that January was a dull dreary month! Then along comes February which was just as bad or more so. We had more storms and 108 cm (42 in.) of snow. The average temperature was 8.2 °C, a few degrees cooler than January and degrees warmer than last February.

The total snowfall from November 1 to February 29 was 330 cm. (130 in.) – nearly 10 feet. Wow!

Now it is March; one more month of winter to go. At least we had a clear night to see the full moon eclipse.

Average High: -3.0°C, 26.6°F

Average Low: -13.4°C, 7.8°F

Average for the Month: -8.2°C, 17.2°F

Average for last February: -11.2°C, 11.8°F

Highest Temperature: February 12: 5.5 °C, 41.9°F



We've all had enough of winter.

Lowest Temperature: February 17: -30.0°C, -22°F

Rain: 23.2 mm, 9.1 in.

Snow: 131.2 cm, 5.1 in.

Snow on ground Feb. 29: 41 cm, 16.1 in.

Snow on Ground last Feb. 28: 38 cm, 14.9 in.

Snowfall November 1 – Feb 29: 330 cm, 129.9 in.

Total Precipitation: 131.2 mm, 5.1 in

Total Precipitation for last February: 54 mm, 2.1 in.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Stayers and leavers

It is always unfortunate when we try to separate all the grey areas of life into black and whites. We lose all the nuances that give depth to an issue.

Take the problem of youth migration from the Highlands. It's not uncommon for young people across Canada to have to leave their home towns in order to pursue post-secondary education, whether they want to be skilled tradespeople or PhD candidates. There's no way we, as a society, could afford to have colleges and universities in every town. That's a simple reality of life. The problem we have here in Haliburton County is that many of those graduates don't come back.

For some, it's a matter of choice. They want a different cultural experience or thrive in an urban environment. They like being exposed to new things and aren't yet ready to settle for a quieter lifestyle.

Others have no choice. They want to move back to the Highlands but they can't get a job here, or the person they've fallen in love with can't get a job here. Maybe they have student loans and need to earn more money than can be offered in the Highlands.

The same argument is true for those young people who decide to stay. Some do it by choice; some because they have no other option. But to label those people who decide to stay as people who have somehow lost out in life is absolutely wrong. It's another twist on the old stigma that the only people who live here are those who couldn't "make it" in an urban environment, or that anyone who is good at what they do naturally believes that bigger is better.

It is perfectly okay to want to live in the Highlands for your entire life. It is perfectly okay to find the Highlands too confining. There is no right or wrong when decisions are made for the right reasons, and loving the way of life here is definitely a right reason.

But we, as people who want to make this county thrive, must do what we can to make sure that our young people do have choices. We must try to build an economy that isn't so weather dependent. We're all too busy in the summer and many of us have too little to do in the winter. We need more stability and yes, it would be nice to attract some higher-paying jobs.

While we're at it, however, let's not dismiss the value of our tourist-economy jobs. Anyone who thinks that working in a restaurant isn't a worthwhile or respectable profession has either not tried to work in one or hasn't had a meal ruined by a bad experience with staff. There is nothing demeaning or ignoble about having a job in the service industry. It doesn't pay as well as some other jobs but these jobs need not be treated as something you do when you can't do anything else. Woe betide our tourist economy if the people working in our stores, restaurants and resorts felt that way!

They provide a valuable service and should be recognized for doing so.

Martha Perkins

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Just hangin' around

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Trash bag limits a farce

To the Editor:

The Minden Hills committee "on garbage issues" needs to wake themselves up. The reeve recognizes that the one bag a week limit is a farce and so should the committee.

In a brief meeting with Bob Romberg, the environment and property operations manager for Minden Hills, he verified a weigh scale may be installed and you will pay by bulk or weight for large loads of garbage.

Everyone should and probably does realize the need for proper regulations and policing of our dumps.

However, if the policing becomes ridiculous and outright insulting, look for a lot more garbage being distributed along our highways, side roads, parks and campsites etc.

We should be trying to get away from this, not encourage it. Our citizens are paying good tax dollars and, for a large majority, for what? What service do some of the taxpayers receive?

Most people are conscious of recycling and protecting the environment. However to impose a one bag a week limit per household is ridiculous.

see NEW GARBAGE page 8

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Battle of the socks

MY WIFE AND I are at war right now. It's not an overt war but it is a war nevertheless. And it is sure to escalate.

Rest assured, this is not something I enter into lightly – war is never a desirable choice. But our talks broke down, the ultimatum has passed, and she has left me with no other options. She stole my favourite pair of hunting socks.

Sure, she has spun that around. She claims that she has confiscated them for purely humanitarian reasons. She has even suggested that, on my feet, they were potentially weapons of mass destruction. But I assure you, I used those socks for strictly peaceful purposes.

Besides, historically, they have always been mine. Any international body would undoubtedly recognize that I have held sovereignty over those grey wool socks since duck camp of 2005 – which, I suppose, explains why my wife laughed when I sug-

gested we take this matter to The Hague.

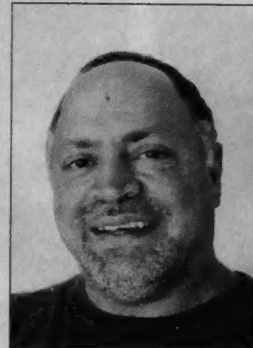
Let me also state that those socks represent a rich and valued part of my culture and she has no rightful claim over them. Furthermore, I will not rest until they are returned to me.

Many have advised me that this is a battle I cannot win; they've suggested that I've taken on a superpower whose might far surpasses my own. Perhaps, but surely God is on my side.

What are my choices?

If I were to cave in on this, she would just continue her wanton aggressions – old tee shirts, baseball caps, and comfortable sweaters would be targeted too. And, I don't mean to sound alarmist but after that your comfortable socks would not be safe either.

In other words, I am your first line of defence.



OUTSIDE CHANCE

Steve Galea

By the way, I'd like to know where my public support is. Where are the protesters carrying placards in support of my just cause? Why is my wife not censured in public places? Why is Bono so uncharacteristically silent?

I'm sorry if I lashed out. It's just that this has been a very difficult time for me. I love those socks. She is merely exploiting them.

In fact, she's wearing them right now, though there is no need. The house is warm and those socks were designed for cold November mornings.

Therefore, I would suggest to you that she is trying to goad me into using force to take them back.

But, between you and me, I have already ruled out a full frontal attack. I'm trying to avoid unacceptable casualties on my side.

Instead, I'm planning a surgical strike. Even now, I'm in my office practising swift sock removal on the dog. Right now, I can be in and out in 45 seconds with the hostages – but that's provided that I create a diversion by rubbing the target's tummy. This, as I see it, is the only problem with the plan.

I need another way.

The sad part is, I don't anticipate this ending any time soon. We're entering into a guerrilla war. All sorts of innocents will get hurt before it is resolved. It's the children I worry about too.

As this escalates, they'll witness things that no child should have to – ugly things that could potentially scar them for life – perhaps even longer.

As much as this saddens me, it is the only way. In two minutes I'll step out into the kitchen and fire the first retaliatory salvo – while wearing her pantyhose.

Yes, war is hell.

The plink-plink-plink of spring

RIDING ALONG in our pickup truck, The Brown Dog Jiggs has his long Smooth Collie nose firmly wedged between my knee and the gear shift.

It is a rare chance for him to ride shotgun, tied down with a dog seat belt, reliving the lost days of his youth.

Five years ago last September he curled up in my lap for the long ride from Cornwall to his new home. We let somebody else do the driving.

The grown-up Jiggs is far too big to fit a bucket seat, let alone my lap, and so he slops over the edges and every shift of gear requires a rearrangement of his head.

He is riding there, dangerously, because the back seat of the pickup, where he usually sits, is filled with cartons of maple syrup bottles, riding home with us for spring.

Usually we re-stock in November, when the cartons can ride home in the back of the truck, but the snows came early last fall and stayed and now we are reduced to this.

For a syrup-maker, buying bottles is as

much a proof of faith as any act of piety I can think of. We buy enough of them to contain far more syrup than we have ever made and then let Mother Nature fill them for us.

I am not a farmer in even the remotest sense but my annual maple ritual helps me understand how much optimism bubbles beneath the grumbling exterior of the folks who grow our food.

They spend the winter buying seed and fertilizer, making repairs, listening to long-range weather forecasts and, mostly, persuading

themselves and their bankers that the year ahead will make up for all of the years that came before it.

They dream that winter's snows will fill the soil with moisture and then leave in time for early planting. Seeds will germinate, rain will fall, sun will shine, and August's harvest will live up to January dreams.

And for all of their dreaming, for all of their careful planning, they are at Nature's mercy. Too much rain in May or too little in June and everything falls apart.

Out here on Sapsucker Ridge, we – The Brown Dog, the trees, the bottles and I – also count on fickle Nature. We are ready, sort of, and now we sit and wait for spring to rescue us from winter.

A mild Monday this week gets sap running to the south of us, but the 14-day forecasts we look at each morning postpone our hopes one day at a time.

There is a new gathering tank on Sapsucker Ridge. The old sleigh is ready to carry it over the snow and my friend Randy and I have built a new wagon for the mud season.

The Brown Dog and I spend too much time out in the bush, packing trails, picking out the trees we'll tap, sometimes just

puttering, then coming home to dry our coats.

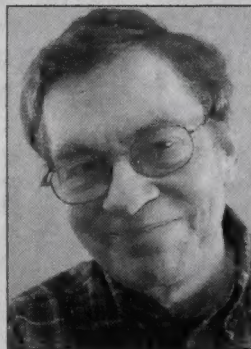
In the long term, climate change may doom the Ridge's maples, but I am too late in life to have a long term. In the short term, I ask only for a parade of mild days after cool nights to get the sap flowing.

One year we first boiled on March 1. We would settle for a first boil by Shakespeare's Ides of March (the 15th), but this year it seems unlikely that the weather will turn that early.

We will have only 185 taps, so we postpone our tapping until just before the first run. Some years we barely catch the start of it. I drill a hole, tap home a spile, hang a bucket – and wait.

The sap builds pressure for a breakout, gathers itself into a blob that rolls (not flows) down the spout and lands in the bucket with a plop. The next drop in the bucket plinks, and soon the woods are full of plinking.

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BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

Drop what you're doing and test your smoke alarm

Dear Editor:

With the shocking rash of fatal fires that have occurred in Ontario this winter, I am appealing to every resident of the Township of Minden Hills to drop what they're doing and test every smoke alarm in their home. Right now. If you don't have a working smoke alarm on every storey and outside all sleeping areas, put your coat on, go out and buy some and install them as soon as you get home. If ever there

was a time to take immediate action for the safety of your family, this is it.

Tragedies such as these are the reason the fire service takes smoke alarms so seriously and I cannot overstate their importance. The law requires one on every storey and outside all sleeping areas, but that is just the minimum. The more smoke alarms you have, the sooner you are alerted to fire and the greater your chances of surviving. For added protection, install smoke alarms inside every bedroom. You may also want

to consider investing in inter-connected smoke alarms. This may seem a bit extreme, but believe me, if a fire were to occur in your home in the middle of the night and you had no way to reach your children through the wall of smoke and fire, no number of smoke alarms would seem too many. And don't forget to take a few minutes to plan and practise a home fire escape plan with your family. When the smoke alarm sounds, everyone must know what to do.

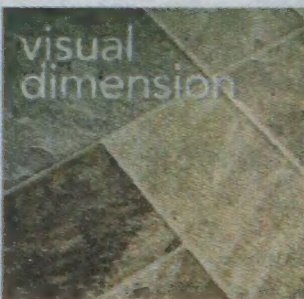
It is so sad that it takes the senseless deaths of children to make people take notice, but you're listening now. So please, don't think about it – just do it. Every storey. Outside sleeping areas. Practise your escape plan. It's such a small cost and effort for a huge investment in your family's safety.

Doug Schell
Fire Chief
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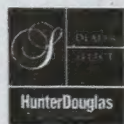
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The last day of the Minden ice races was sunny and warm, creating perfect conditions for a speedy, slippery (and exciting) race.

Season stellar for Minden's ice races

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The ice races are over and by all accounts the six weekends of skidding, squealing cars at Minden's fairgrounds were "excellent."

"We had good weather, the track survived, lots of competitors and lots of new people showed up," said Sharon Feeney, the coordinator of the races.

Racers from across the province came to Minden in the hundreds to slip around the slick track, created and maintained by the local Kin Club.

In six weeks, there were only two rollovers and no injuries, said Feeney. "It's more of a trip or stumble" than a crash, she said. Tom Prentice, who has been attending the races for 31 years and maintaining the track with the Kin Club, agreed with

"We had good weather, the track survived, lots of competitors and lots of new people."

SHARON FEENEY

Feeney that this year has been as good as any.

Prentice and the club started preparing the track December 4 for the races, which began the last weekend in January. It is a long, methodical process of compacting the snow, plowing and watering over and over until the conditions are just right. Last week, Prentice estimates they used 72,000 gallons of water on the track.

New garbage rules will create havoc

from page 6

Surely our council and committee have a little more common sense than to impose ludicrous rules and policies for our dumps not to mention the havoc they will create with their so-called policing. Give it a break or get a new council with some foresight, common sense and a little compas-

sion for the people of Minden Hills. Get out of the dark ages – change is coming whether you want it or not.

Sincerely,
Kim & Bill Redgrave
Hunter Creek Inn

Special hockey league impresses parents

by JENN WATT
Times staff

Minden's special hockey international league officially has two members after the exhibition game at Wilberforce arena on Saturday. Thirty players from the Grandravine Tornadoes – an 80-player team – came down for the game, staying at Camp Wanakita in the meantime.

Though most of the teams come from the Greater Toronto Area, John Kellett, the organizer of the new Minden team, thinks one could work in this area (although it's up for debate how wide this area is).

Hockey hasn't always been accessible to kids with developmental disabilities but this league, founded officially in 1996 with pre-existing teams from the U.S. and Canada, allows players of all skill levels to engage and have fun.

It doesn't matter who wins or loses, said

Kellett in an interview on Monday, it's about being active and participating in sports.

"It's all about fun. It's not about winning," he said.

The purpose of Saturday's game was to expose parents with kids with disabilities to the concept of the international league and let them know that it is safe and fun for their kids. Kellett said there were lots of parents out and they were impressed with the spirit of the game.

And he's going to start a team no matter how many players it starts with, noting that Grandravine started with two players in 1970.

"It's a great thing. We're starting it regardless," he said.

"Whenever they're comfortable to play, it will be there for them," he said.

The two founding players are Jason Hollowell and Trevor Olszewski.



Thirty members of the Grandravine Tornadoes came to Wilberforce Saturday to play an exhibition game. Minden's Jason Hollowell and Bancroft's Trevor Olszewski joined in. They will be forming their own hockey team for the special hockey international league.

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March 10-14—March Break workshop -See more info on page 14

March 15 9am to 2pm—Saturday Youth Art Club registration required

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PLEASE NOTE: CLEAR BAGS ARE NOW MANDATORY AT ALL MINDEN HILLS LANDFILLS

The Township of Minden Hills has been working very hard to encourage residents to divert recyclables in order to increase the life of our landfills. It is an enormous savings to you, the taxpayer, to lengthen the life of our sites, rather than go through the process of applying to the MOE to open a new site. We have now received final approval from the Ministry of the Environment to allow all residents of Minden Hills access to all of the Minden Hills landfill sites (current landfill cards accepted). Dates and times will remain the same at the respective landfill sites. Clear Bags are now mandatory at all Minden Hills Landfill sites with one free bag per week per household.

IN THE EVENT OF A TOWNSHIP RELATED EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS, PLEASE CALL: 1-866-856-3247. FOR ALL OTHER EMERGENCIES DIAL 9-1-1

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Mar 13 9:00 a.m. Public Meeting – Rezoning (Hill)
Mar 13 Committee of the Whole – to follow Public Meeting
Mar 10-14 Agnes Jamieson Gallery MARCH BREAK ART WORKSHOP – call 286-3763
March 15 LCBO FOOD & DRINK Evening – for tickets call 286-3763
March 15 Youth Saturday Art Clubs – call Agnes Jamieson Gallery 286-3763
March 27 Council, Council Chambers
March 31 Sesquicentennial Logo submission deadline

CALL TO CREATIVE INDIVIDUALS

The Township of Minden Hills is looking for creative individuals interested in submitting a logo design to the Sesquicentennial Committee. Help us celebrate our 150th anniversary with a year to remember. Designs may contain a maximum of 3 colours and white. Additional criteria will be available shortly on our website or by contacting Rick Cox, at the Township Office. All Designs must be submitted by 12:00 noon Monday, March 31st, 2008 in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "Sesquicentennial Logo" addressed to the Township Office, c/o Rick Cox, Director of Community Services.

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Attention: Mr. Kevin Hill, CRS-S Road Superintendent.
Envelopes should be clearly marked "Seasonal Labourer" and submitted no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, March 7, 2008.

We thank all applicants who apply but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



Every Yard Counts encourages and recognizes residents and businesses in our community who contribute to the beautification of our Township.

Every Yard Counts Awards of Merit will be given in residential, commercial and neighbourhood categories. Nomination forms are available online, at the Minden Cultural Centre, and the Administration Office.

The nomination deadline is Friday July 4, 2008.

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Minden takes home third and a fistful of medals

by MATT JAMES
Times staff

The winning banner didn't make it home to Minden after the Toni Carr Memorial Interclub 2008 figure skating competition at the Dysart arena on March 2 but the Minden skaters did very well and brought home a handful of medals.

Minden finished in third place in the competition that honours one of the area's biggest promoters of figure skating. Toni Carr lived in Ingoldsby and served for several years on the board of Skate Canada and Eastern Ontario.

Event organizer Lesley Lumbley says, "We are very pleased to make the name change this year to reflect Toni Carr's many contributions to Skate Canada and figure skating in Minden and Haliburton."

2008 Toni Carr Memorial Interclub Minden Results

Introductory A Free Skate Flight 1: Courtney Crowe, third place.

Introductory A Free Skate Flight 2: Callie Dick, second place.

Pre-Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 1: Courtney Crowe/Callie Dick, third

Pre-Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 2:

Melanie Graves-Howard /Ariel Weiss, third

Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 1:

Shae Macnaull/Cassidy Garbutt, second

Preliminary Shadow Dance Flight 2: Ashley Cooper/Jessica Carroll

Preliminary Individual Theatre on Ice Flight 2: Cassidy Garbutt, third

Preliminary Add on Jumps: Shae Macnaull, second

Introductory Similar Pairs Flight 2: Shae

Macnaull/Cassidy Garbutt, first

Shadow Skating Skills Level: Alana Bannister/Cassidy Garbutt, third

CanSkate A1 Free Skate: Tirsta Greer second, Matea Cameron, third

CanSkate A2 Free Skate: Brittany Hewitt, first

CanSkate A2 Men Free Skate: Seth Smith, second

CanSkate B2 Free Skate: Brooke Sisson, third

CanSkate B2 Free Skate Flight 1: Ashley Ottaway, second

CanSkate B2 Free Skate Flight 2: Larissa Stephenson, third

Beginner Similar Pairs: Ashley Cooper/Alana Bannister, second

Intermediate Individual Theatre on Ice Flight 1: Jessica Carroll, third

Intermediate Individual Theatre on Ice Flight 2: Kaitlyn Allore, first



Ashley Ottaway skates her way to a second place finish in the CanSkate B2 Free Skate.

Matt James/TIMES



far left: Ashley Cooper and Alana Bannister skate in the Similar Pairs Beginner category taking second place.

left: Brooke Sisson earns third place in the CanSkate B1 Free Skate division.

Canadian Folk Art SUSAN MURRAY COLLECTION

February 12 to April 26

Agnes Jamieson Gallery

176 Bobcaygeon Road,

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This touring exhibition includes some of the finest examples of Canadian folk art, an important part of Canada's culture, heritage and identity. Folk art embraces a wide range of artistic works, a mixture of naivety and sophistication, cultural tradition and individual innovation.

Although varied definitions abound, folk art in general falls into two categories: cultural and individual. This includes paintings, sculptures, carvings, rughooking or objects embellished with pictorial and decorative motifs, all folk-art products have popular appeal. The people who fashioned them intended them to interest the ordinary citizens who were their neighbours, friends and acquaintances ~ eh! Susan Murray has been collecting folk art for over 25 years. Her knowledge and passion is impressive. This exhibition was arranged by the Beaverbrook Gallery in New Brunswick and the Canadian Embassy. The Agnes Jamieson Gallery will host a talk and reception with Murray on Saturday, March 1 at 1pm. All are welcome.

NEW...at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery
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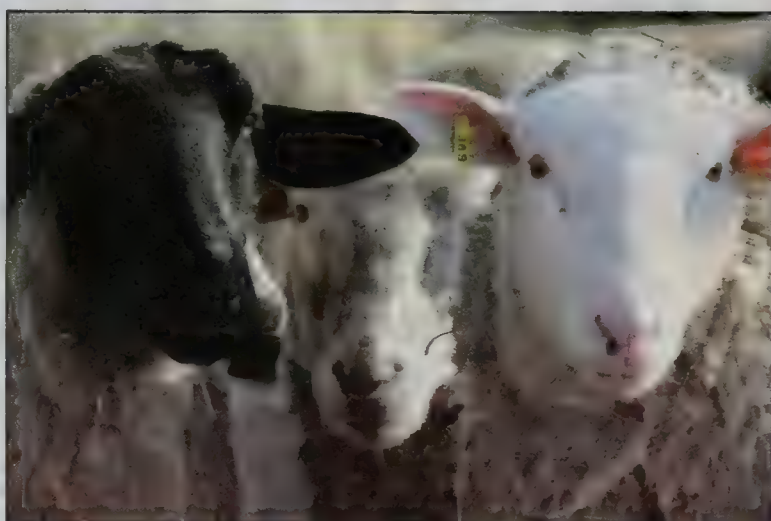
Visit the gallery today - Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 5pm





LIFE ON THE FARM

• Photos by Greg Hoekstra •



Spring is a time of birth and renewal, and although it may still be weeks away on the calendar, the season seems to have come early to the Cox family farm on Horseshoe Lake Road. In the past month Joe and Casey Cox have welcomed a number of new animals to their farm, including the playful baby lamb shown below who was only one day old when the photo was taken.

A number of calves have also been born recently, including the shy fellow shown at bottom right, who would only pose for our camera from behind the belly of his loving mother.

Casey estimates the farm, which has been in the Cox family for five generations, is now home to roughly 80 sheep, 120 cows, and 'too many horses, not enough workers.'

The Times thanks the Cox family for inviting us out to share in the experience.



Old foes battle for bragging rights at Rockbuster bonspiel

by STEVE ROBSON
Special to the Times

On the weekend of February 15 the Minden Curling Club hosted its 24th edition of the three-day Rockbuster Men's Bonspiel, which featured several long-time participants.

"A" division winners of the Prentice Power Sports Trophy, from left to right: Doug Adams (skip), Stan Sitts (vice), Derek Pass (second), and Arden Edmonson (lead).



"C" division winners of the Garbutt Disposal Trophy, from left to right: Keith Cowley (lead), Adam Sonley (skip), Peter Laidlaw (vice), Scott Wilson (second).



The "A" event final for the Prentice Power Sports trophy featured a duel between the eventual champion, Doug Adams of Elmira, and Steve Colliver of Lindsay, 19- and 24-year veterans of this event respectively.

In the "B" event for the Minden Subaru Trophy two perennial entries fought it out

with Cameron McKay's Little Bob Lake team defeating Ted Wilkes's Minden team.

The "C" event trophy sponsored by Garbutt Disposal was an all Whitby affair with first-year entry Adam Sonley's team gaining the upper hand on John Sievers second year entry.

The "D" event final saw two Minden

teams compete for the Dollo's IGA trophy with Connor Duhaime's Junior team defeating Don Pflug's Masters team for the honours.

A banquet was held on Saturday featuring a roast beef dinner catered by Beni Kearns and a host of Minden Curling Club volunteers. Many thanks to our sponsor.

"B" division winners of the Minden Subaru Trophy, from left to right: Cameron McKay (skip), George Czindl (second), Brian Boyle (vice), and Rob Austin (lead).



"D" division winners of the Dollo's IGA Trophy: Connor Duhaime (skip), Josh Billings (vice), Rob Collins (second) and Scott Eckford (lead).



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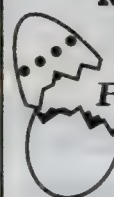
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Agnes Jamieson Gallery MARCH BREAK art workshops

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Specialty Paper Making - Monday, March 10

This activity would involve a variety of papermaking techniques ie: gathering and processing of paper pulp, using a variety of natural materials, screening and embossing paper. Students will learn the process from beginning to end with hands-on involvement. This activity is exciting and messy. \$30 (includes supplies)

No age restriction - parent accompaniment recommended for ages 4 and under.

Instructor: Jenn Wainless-Craig

Felt Making from Scratch - Tuesday March 11

Felt making is an ancient art. We will look at pictures about how felt has been used through the centuries. Then you will create felt from scratch using 100% wool. With these new skills you can let your imagination soar and make animals, jewellery or even pictures

\$30 (includes supplies)

must be 7 years and older Instructor: Fay Wilkinson

Blacksmithing - Wednesday March 12

A fully equipped traveling forge will be located behind the gallery. This is an opportunity to try basic blacksmithing learning to work the forge, heat the metal and bending techniques. Completing a simple piece of work.

\$40 (supplies included)

must be 12 years and older

Instructor: Tracey Lee Green

Face Post Wood Carving - Thursday March 13

Simple carving techniques to create a totem of woodland people using hand held carving tools on a 2x2x6 balsam wood block.

\$30 (includes supplies)

must be 10 years and older

Instructor: Glenn Jewett

Printmaking Pop Art Cards - Friday March 14

A combination of printmaking with soft lino and graphic design and lettering elements, this workshop looks at the Pop Art genre using the simple idea in fun designs. \$30 (supplies included) must be 10 years and older

Instructor: Laurie Carmount

Pre-registration is required for each workshop by calling 286-3763 or by visiting the gallery at 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden from Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 5pm.

Pre-registration deadline: Friday, March 6

Major credit cards and cheques accepted.

CARNARVON LANES

Tuesday night Feb. 26

Men

High Average:

Ken Thompson 209

High Single:

Ken Thompson 341

High Single w/hdcp:

Ken Thompson 355

High Triple:

Ken Thompson 766

High Triple w/hdcp:

Ken Thompson 808

Women

High Average:

Marlene Robinson 192

High Single:

Barb Nash 215

High Single w/hdcp:

Barb Nash 263

High Triple: Barb Nash 552

High Triple w/hdcp:

Arla Pollard 700

Wed. afternoon Feb. 27

Men

High Average:

Ken Thompson 222

High Single:

John Whitty 304

High Single w/hdcp:

John Whitty 322

High Triple:

John Whitty 732

High Triple w/hdcp:

John Whitty 786

Wed. afternoon Feb. 27

Women

High Average:

Carol Snow 167

High Single:

Betty Ablett 224

High Single w/hdcp:

Betty Ablett 295

High Triple:

Judy Phipps 526

High Triple w/hdcp:

Betty Ablett 734

Thurs. Afternoon Feb. 21

Men

High Average:

Ken Thompson 218

High Single:

Ken Thompson 216

High Single w/hdcp:

Bob Webb 266

High Triple:

Ken Thompson 576

High Triple w/hdcp:

Merv. Bunker 703

Women

High Average:

Shirley Webb 177

High Single:

Shirley Webb 237

High Single w/hdcp:

Joyce Chilton 280

High Triple:

Shirley Webb 621

High Triple w/hdcp:

Shirley Webb 741

MINDEN LANES

Seniors Mixed Feb. 25

Men

High Average:

John Ritchie, 183

High Single:

John Ritchie, 243

High Triple:

John Ritchie, 553

High Single w/hdcp:

John Ritchie, 277

High Triple w/hdcp:

John Ritchie, 657

Women

High Average:

Barb Ballantyne, 168

High Single:

Barb Ballantyne, 199

High Triple:

Barb Ballantyne, 468

High Single w/hdcp:

Barb Ballantyne, 244

High Triple w/hdcp:

Ann Oakley, 647

Seniors Mixed Feb. 18

Men

High Average:

John Ritchie, 183

High Single:

John Ritchie, 203

High Triple:

John Ritchie, 553

High Single w/hdcp:

Ray St. Pierre, 262

High Triple w/hdcp: John

Ritchie, Moe McIlvenny, 655

Women

High Average:

Barb Ballantyne, 169

High Single:

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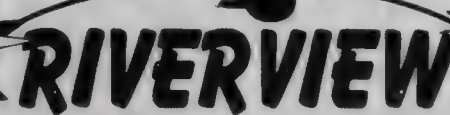
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Juno award winner visits Delta Pinestone

It's not too often that we have a Canadian legend come to our little neck of the woods so I hope you have purchased your tickets to see Alfie Zappacosta on Saturday night at 8 p.m. He is well-known for his accomplishments such as being twice a winner of the Juno award and Grammy award winner for pop, rock and jazz. Very impressive!

He will be appearing at Highlands Grand Ballroom at Delta Pinestone Resort. Phone 705-457-1800 to see if there are any tickets still available.

Tickets are now on sale for Barry Canning who will be at the Hair Lounge March 29. He has been here before and tickets usually sell out really fast so don't wait.

Barry Canning is one of Canada's best singers and is also a songwriter so you don't want to miss this concert. Contact Mark Christiano at www.thehairlounge.ca

Not too much to write about this week. Actually a very big thing is that we are heading toward daylight savings time on March 9 and a glorious spring. There are probably lots of you out there that would still like another month or two of winter. If we had another few months of winter it would see me having to do a major exercise regime to undo all the pigging out that I have been doing. My recipe books have been exhausted. My little fingers are tired from kneading bread. (Forget Prozac: Punching, manipulating and kneading bread is a holistic remedy I



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highly recommend. If you have never pounded bread dough, winter is a good time to start.)

Sharon Martella, her daughter Judy and I have met to make some fun recipes. Then we sit and sample them.

Last week we made Jamaican beef patties, cinnamon rolls and then another thing which is one of those have-no-Canadian-name things that I do. It's basically pre-cooked chopped cauliflower in a

batter, fried. These come with a cautionary warning – you can't eat just one! Simple, but if you add a sprig of parsley it would become a gourmet dish.

Some time soon we will tackle perogies and some other things that we might have a craving for. Whatever they are, I am sure they will be cabin-fever-fighting therapeutic foods that, whether they are good for us or not, will taste good at the time.

You may assume that I didn't get to go south for a holiday this winter, but my kitchen faces south.

There were a lot of aggression words in this column but I did not beat the dog or the cat.

Being an animal lover, they have no worries. Nigel is the one that might have to worry.

I don't want to rain on anybody's ice hut parade, seeing as they are still all lined up like little villages on the lake, but for me I will do a spring happy dance!

Have a great week!



The Agnes Jamieson Gallery always has tasty ways of raising money whether it's wine tastings, left, or the upcoming Food & Drink event.

Event takes page out of Food & Drink

Do you get excited every time the LCBO publishes a new edition of Food & Drink magazine?

If you've oohed and ahed over all the photos of delicious recipes, you'll want to attend the Food & Drink Evening at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden on March 15.

The evening for the taste buds is catered by Betty Mark of Food for Thought. She'll bring those photos to life. The fundraising event will have spirits to match the culinary treats.

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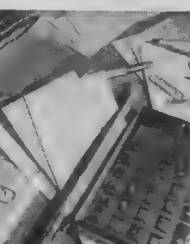
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Visiting artist brings stories to life with music

Heather Whaley, popular songwriter, poet and storyteller, will be returning to the Highlands to perform at R.D. Lawrence Place on Saturday, April 26.

Here in 2005 to perform at A Writer's Christmas, she captured the audience with her music, wit and charm.

A special fundraising event, this concert is being hosted by The Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network.

Members intend to have a booth at Word on the Street in Toronto this fall to promote writing in the Highlands.

Whaley is a renowned and versatile performing artist. With props and guitar in tow, she brings to life both traditional and personal stories, songs

and poems. Her blues tunes have earned her the label of being "bluesy cool."

With 30 books to his credit, R.D. Lawrence became known as a master storyteller, revealing his discoveries and adventures in the wilds. Who better to feature at the opening of a building paying tribute to him than a fellow storyteller who specializes in traditional music, ballads and blues delivered in a lively minstrel style.

Paying tribute to National Poetry Month, the works of Haliburton poets will be displayed on many poet-trees in the new facility, alongside memorabilia from the life of journalist, author and naturalist R.D. Lawrence, whom the building honours.

Come out and join others at a wine and cheese reception, followed by a musical evening. The door opens at 7 p.m. The concert will begin around 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Contact Pauline Johnson at 705-489-3878 or Sharon Lawrence at 286-6276 for more information or to purchase tickets for this event.

Tickets are also on sale at The Storeroom in Minden or Kitchens Etc. in Haliburton. Directions to the Minden Hills Cultural Centre are available on its website at www.mindenhillsculturalcentre.com.

Minden Legion celebrates St. Patrick's Day with Newfie favourite Chuck Simms

Singer-songwriter Chuck Simms, one of Newfoundland's favourite sons and a popular favourite in Ontario, will be featured at the Minden Legion's annual St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance on Saturday, March 15.

Tickets are now on sale at the Legion for \$25. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a traditional dinner of corned beef and cabbage in addition to a lively evening of entertainment with Chuck Simms performing music from his homeland, country music and, in honour of the event, a special round of favourite Irish tunes.

Simms, a renowned folk music artist, has been singing, writing and recording music for over 30 years while per-

forming across Canada from Newfoundland to Vancouver Island and the Yukon. He has also performed in the USA and his music has a wide following in Australia, Belgium, Denmark, and Sweden.

This is the fifth annual season featuring the popular artist and those wishing to attend should purchase their tickets as soon as possible before early sellout occurs. For more information call the Legion at 705-286-4541. The Royal Canadian Legion, a great place to meet and greet, is on Highway 35 just north of the intersection with County Road 21.

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Hello one and all. Well, it certainly has been a cold, cold, snowy, snowy winter and we think it is safe to say that we all will be happy to see spring arrive! One must keep an optimistic view no matter what the weatherman has to say. Anticipating the arrival of spring and all its glory is more than enough to at least keep our hearts warm.

Although we were closed for a while we are back to the many activities that keep our mind and bodies active. There is a hubbub of activity as we anxiously await the much-anticipated formal dinner. It is a memorable evening spent with family and friends. We'll fill you in next month.

As usual our ever-faithful volunteers have not let us down, we have had the pleasure of entertainment, tea parties, bingo, crafts, cards, spiritual programs and so much more.

What a joy it was to see our little Jeralyn again. Nothing warms the heart more than the face of a little angel.

Joan and Donna have been making sure we are not idle and roust us out of our rooms to ensure we do not fall into the category of a "couch potato."

It is also great to have our golden girl back to visit us. Gypsy is so well behaved and we thank Elaine for sharing her with us; we really appreciate it.

We also enjoy our one-on-one visits with the volunteers. These moments are treasured and always looked forward to them.

As you can see we have not been idle and want to thank everyone for enriching our lives with their love and commitment. Stay well and stay warm. Until next time, God Bless.

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Learn about Guyana at World Day of Prayer

What is it with these lady bugs? It's bad enough dealing with them during the day but now, attracted by the light from the computer desk lamp, they drop onto the screen or keyboard as I write this column. Morning chores include vacuuming them up as they huddle together in old windowsill corners to keep warmer overnight. Nothing is sacred, even your toothbrush is considered fair game.

On a more positive note the old farmhouse was a busy spot last weekend with the arrival of son Graeme, 10-year-old granddaughter Brianna, four-year-old grandson Ben and their dog Sparky [short for Sparkplug]. While much time was spent outside on the trails there was still enough left over for painting, reading stories, Lego building and puzzles. Brianna plans to be a teacher while Ben's future goal, at least at this point in time, is to be "a dirt bike dude". Ben is the puzzle champion at his daycare. Normally he looks forward to going however Monday morning he refused to go to "school". Why? because he had no homework to take back like Bri and big brother Josh. A preschool activity book did the trick and off Ben went returning home to proudly show where his teacher had printed "excellent" on his sheet. Nice caring lady. I still remember our fridge door covered in homework stamped with a "smiling pixie". One day a sheet with the dreaded "tearful pixie" arrived but we put it up anyway.

Another longtime resident of our community has passed away. Norman "Pat" Silver was born and raised here in Kinmount and, no matter where travels took him in later life, Kinmount was always home. Norm was a veteran serving with the Royal Canadian Artillery and an active Legion member. He had his own independent trucking business then later, for many years, was with the Township of Galway & Cavendish. According to son Paul his dad loved cars. A devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather Norm will be missed by all his relatives and friends.

In Kinmount the annual World Day of Prayer Service will be held this Friday, March 7 at 2 p.m. at the historic Kinmount United Church located high on the Cluxton Street hill. This year the featured country is Guyana and the Service has been written by the women of that country. Everyone is invited. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Guyana, its geography, culture and people while participating in a world wide celebration. Please note that in Minden the Service will be that same day, Friday, March 7, at St. Paul's Anglican Church at 2 p.m.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

February 26 contract bridge at Stanhope: There were 5 Slams over the afternoon with Bruce Armstrong partnered with Ross Fletcher, Reet Murray and Kelly Metcalf taking three. Willie Cox and Liv Andersen along with Linda Cherry and Rob Eaton had the other two. Willie also led the scoring at 7530 followed by Dorothy Strype 5550, Stella McMillan 5410 and Jacqueline Metcalf 5310. Kelly Metcalf won the lucky draw, Gloria Moore the Shiny Penny and Willie Cox went home with the "W.W.W." Award

standing for "Wee Willie Winkie".

February 26 bid euchre at Minden Legion: For the ladies Phyllis Windsor was first at 294 then Sharron Atkinson 273 and Maria Tschida 264. Top spot at 275 went to Gala Stamp with Marcel Roussel 252 second and Marcy Morgan 234 third. Moonshots went to Bev Johnson, Edith Burch, Phyllis Windsor, Don Burch, Marcel and Pat Roussel. The draw winners were Sharron Atkinson, Marcy Morgan, Gala Stamp and Pat Roussel.

February 26 euchre at Gelert: Harold Harvie reports that Gala Stamp and Don Hicks recorded the high scores while Lynn White and Doris Robertson took

the lows. Doris also won the draw while John Deak held the most lone hands.

February 26 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: The top team members were our reporter Pearl Cowen and John Fortune with 288 points then Flo Roussel and Cliff Davison second at 247. George Hamilton and Margaret Worrell came third at 239 while Ellen Holden partnered with Tom McCartney had the afternoon's low of 118.

February 27 bid euchre at Stanhope: Single moonshots went to Marj Coffey, Tom Grix, Norm Mark and Helen Henderson with Helen Windsor completing a "hat trick" of three. For the whites George Bull led at 254 then Tom Pearson 244 second and Kevin Maloney 225 third. In the pink was Gala Stamp 261 followed by Dorene Elstone 246 and Norm Mark 245.

February 27 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: First in North South at 58% were Muriel McIntosh and our reporter Ross Fletcher with Bruce Armstrong and Harold Cox next at 54%. Over in East/West top spot went to Joan Galley partnered with Norma Crewson at 60% then at 53% Margo and Tom Davidson.

February 28 euchre at Minden Legion: Bob Pollard reports that high score honours went to Eileen Shapiera and Tom Grix with Edith and Don Burch filling the second high slots. Lone hand holders were Kevin Maloney and Kay Orr with Kay also winning [2] in the "other prizes" category along with Ron Morrison, Arla Pollard and Norm Mark.

February 29 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: For high hands it was Pat Bailey, for lone hands Kevin Maloney, for low hands Carol Derbyshire and for the draw Nick Bokestyn. Thanks to Doreen Francis who reminds that newcomers are always welcome at euchre.

February 29 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system Norma Crewson and Ross

Fletcher led at 65% then Kathie Porter partnered with Margo Davidson at 61% and Elva Robinson and Bruce Armstrong at 51%.

February 29 bid euchre at Club 35: The single moonshot went to Mary Pearson while Garth Windsor held the hidden score. Leading the pinks was Helen Windsor at 340 then at 282 Jean Randell and Mary Pearson at 262. For the white cards Tom Pearson took top spot at 269 with Norm Mark second at 247 and Merv Elstone 238 third.

March 1 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Verna McDonald, Pat Roussel and Bev Johnson [2] took the moonshots with Pat Bailey was first for the white cards at 278 followed by June Branning 248 and Tom Grix 245. Pink power was with Gala Stamp at 287 then Pat Roussel 263 and Isobel Cherwenka 234. Birthday greetings go out to June Branning from her many Minden friends.

March 3 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Pearl Cowen and Kevin Maloney with Verna McDonald and Jesse Barlow recording the high scores. The afternoon's lows went to Jeanne Keliele and our reporter Lorna Hicks while Mabel Deacon and Jesse Barlow took home the special prizes.

March 3 cribbage at Minden Legion: The top trio in order were Verna McDonald, Sharron Atkinson and Joe Rivers with Jean Scadden, Ann Cundall and Verna McDonald winning the draws.

March 3 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Elaine Yeo reports a great turnout on hand as Pearl Cowen won for high hands, Sherin Brown for lone hands, Brenda Butterfield for low hands and Bev Johnson for the special prize [again].

March 3 euchre at Club 35: For most lone hands it was Dave Switzer while Pearl Kernohan took home the bologna. The Pearson family stole the show as Mary and Tom had the evening's high scores with Kay Morrison and our correspondent Garth Windsor recording the low.

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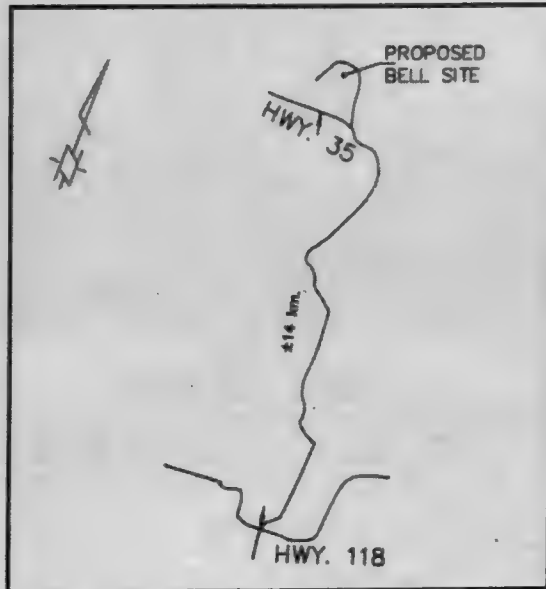
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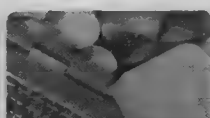
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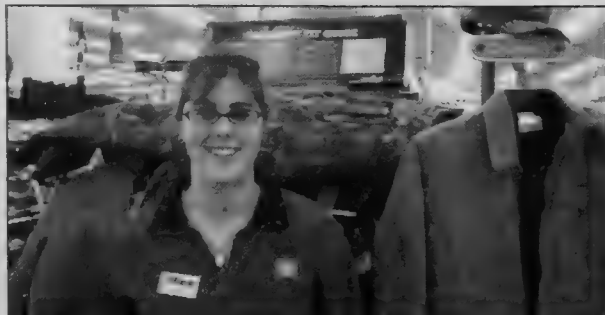
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- **Mar 6:** Minden Health Care Auxiliary: Reminder of General Meeting, 1:30 pm at Hyland Crest. New members are always welcome.
- **Mar 6:** Bus trip to the International Home and Garden Show and Success with Gardening. For information call Pam at 286-5136.
- **Mar 7:** World Day of Prayer - 7:30 p.m. - St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church. This year the ecumenical celebration highlights the women of Guyana. Everyone welcome. For further information contact June White at 457-3543.
- **Mar 10-14** - March Break Club - West Guilford Baptist Church - 9:00am-11:30pm, ages 4-12. It's Free. To register call 754-0079
- **Mar 11:** Stanhope Soccer League Registration - 6:30 to 8:30pm. Ages 5-14. Stanhope Fire Fighter's Hall, North Shore Rd, Carnarvon.
- **Mar 11:** Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsored by Subway Development
- **Mar 12:** Free Public Skating - 11am-1pm, Sponsor is Modern Electric
- **Mar 13:** Well Baby Drop-in Clinic, Visit with a Family Health Nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (inside Sears Building) from 10 am to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391.
- **Mar 15:** Youth Saturday Art Club - continues March 15, April 12, May 10 and June 14 from 9am to 2pm. Pre-registration required one week before each workshop by calling the gallery. A combination of art history and art creation this is an opportunity for youths to learn more about art and further develop their skills. \$30 per youth per workshop. Supplies included. Agnes Jamieson Gallery 286-3763
- **Mar 17:** St. Patrick's Day Beef Stew and Biscuit Dinner, Minden United Church. 5-7pm. Cost is \$12 per person.

community calendar

What's happening in the Highlands

ONGOING EVENTS

- A pictorial essay of Haliburton County - A new picture every day at jackbush.my-expressions.com
- Adult Badminton - Mondays, 8-10 p.m. Runs until May 26/08 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Call 286-1765.
- Al-Anon Meetings - Haliburton Highlands Meeting, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. George's Anglican Church (side door entrance), Haliburton; Minden Al-anon Meeting, Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance), Minden.
- Alzheimer's Disease - "Caring with Confidence" group for caregivers meets on the 4th Thurs. of the month at the Haliburton Hospital Boardroom at 10-12. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742.
- Aqua Size for Seniors or Adults with disabilities - If you are interested, call: Community Care 457-2941.
- Bridge Youth Centre - Ages 10-14, 3:30-6:00 pm on Fridays. Ages 14-22, 8:00-10:30pm on Fridays. Located at 73 Victoria Street in Haliburton. Please call Jamie, 854-0401 or email jamie@youthunlimitedkaw.com
- Celebrate Recovery Meeting - is for everyone with hurts, habits & hang-ups. Every Monday, Lakeside Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) Call 457-2851.
- Climbing Club - Tuesday evenings at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. Families 6:30 - 8 pm, children and parents climb together, Youth & Adults 8 pm - 9 pm. Fee: \$2. per person. Sponsored by Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents. Call Donna at 457-5345, ext. 314 or email: donnaa@pointintime.ca

CURRENT EVENTS

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\$5 Children (6-12yrs). Pre-schoolers free, \$30 per family(4 or more people). Advance Tickets available at the Minden Pharmasave or by calling 286-2493. Tickets will also be available at the door.

- **Mar 20:** Haliburton County Food Handler Course. Event is held to certify food handlers in safe food handling methods. Cost \$20/person. Held at Health Unit office (191 Highland Street, Unit 301) in Haliburton Village from 9 am to 3 pm. Call (705) 457-1391 for more details and to register.
- **Mar 26:** Minden Community Forum: The Social Elements of a strong Community - Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle Street, at 7:30pm. Babysitting provided. For more information contact Carolyn Cobourn at 754-9859.
- **Mar 26:** Emergency First Aid & Level A CPR Course - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 a.m. at Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton. For further information, please call St. John Ambulance, Kawartha Branch 324-9894
- **Mar 26 & 27:** Standard First Aid & Level A CPR Course - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 a.m. at Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton. Must attend both sessions. For further information, please call St. John Ambulance, Kawartha Branch 324-9894
- **Mar 27:** VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m.. Located at Staunworth Court Lounge, Minden. Subsequent clinics the fourth Thurs. of the month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone Welcome.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca., or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events in the Highlands.
For more ongoing events check The Weekender.

General Employment

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Summer Recreation Assistant

is required to provide summer programs
throughout the municipality. The position
begins mid April and runs to the end of
August.

Please forward resumes to the:
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Deadline for resumes is March 17, 2008. 62905408

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General Employment

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Job Openings for: PSW and DSW

Community Living Haliburton County requires:

• Part Time Support Workers

Hours: 32-54 biweekly, Rate per hour: \$16.89 - \$18.77

• Relief Positions

Rate per hour: \$14.49 - \$16.09

The hours of work include, days, evenings, nights and weekends. Applicants must have PSW certificate as a minimum; DSW preferred, and minimum of one year experience working in human services field. Valid driver's license and current Standard First Aid, C.P.R., and NVPCI are required. The successful candidates will provide direct support to individuals with developmental disabilities. They must demonstrate good interpersonal, organizational and communication skills. Other qualifications include excellent problem solving, teamwork and computer skills.

Resume and hand-written cover letter should be addressed to Elena Bjelis, Support Services Coordinator, Community Living Haliburton County, P.O. Box 90, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0. All applicants are thanked; those selected for an interview will be notified. 62899175

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Coming Events

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Guest Speaker

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March 14, 2008
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Boardroom

Time: 10:00 am
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Coming Events

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2008*Celebrate Guyana**God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding*

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Coming Events

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Township of
Algonquin Highlands
Recreation Department

Stanhope Soccer League Registration
Tuesday, March 11, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30pm
and

Saturday, March 29, 2008 from 1:00 to 3:00pm
Boys and Girls

Ages 5 to 14 as of June 17, 2008

Stanhope Fire Fighter's Hall

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Coming Events

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Announcements

Thank You Cards

The family of Robert (Bob) Vick wish to express their gratitude to everyone for their words of comfort and acts of kindness in the form of flowers, food and generous charitable donations in his memory. Our appreciation to Rev. Faun Harriman, Dwaine Lloyd and staff of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home and the Gelert community for their contributions to the luncheon.

Dad was very appreciative to all who phoned and visited with him during the past two years while living on his own. He was, also, very thankful to the ladies from the Red Cross Community Health Services for their excellent care and attention to his daily needs.

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Thank You Cards

The family of the late Judy Ellen Brown Nee Alton) would like to thank all friends and family for their kind words, flowers, food, cards, e-mails and all donations made in Judy's Memory.

And a special thanks to Dwight and Gord on Ambulance ICU staff, Peterborough Regional Health Centre, Bray Gray and staff at Monk's Funeral Home. Rosemary Terry for the heart felt song by Dolly Parton and Brad Paisley "When I Get To Where I'm Going". Also Rev. Peter Walford-Davis for the lovely service. Along with Ivan Voicey and Bob Acherblade. All your kindness will never be forgotten.
- Ellen Alton and Family

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Deaths

DEAN, Mona -Passed away suddenly at the Minden Hospital on Sunday, February 17, 2008. At the age of 81.

Dear sister of Wayne and his wife Alison Trusty, and aunt of Mitchell. Dear cousin of Gordon Calvert and his wife Mae, Peggy Jiruska (Calvert). Fondly remembered by her family and friends.

Mona's family would like to thank her many friends for their support and assistance over the years.

A gathering to celebrate Mona's Life will held in the spring at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.** 127 Main St. P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on date and time to be announced.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund would be appreciated

11005638

Deaths

GIBSON, B. Evelyn (Cowan Hewitt) - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, February 28, 2008. In her 87th year.

She was predeceased by her husbands Richard Hewitt (1966) and Henry Gibson (1994). She was a loving mother to Vern (Haliburton), Peter and Marilyn (Nepean), Carolyn and Rick Fuerth (Windsor), Larry and Betty (West Guilford), Roger and Kathy (Richmond Hill), and Henry's three children - Paul Gibson, Ruth Owen, and Elizabeth Nikitin.

She was a loving grandmother to Ian, Jason and Debbie, Tricia, Shawn, Sherry and Dave, Jennifer and Randy, Brianne and Mike, Britney and Jeremy, Richard, Christopher, Mackenzie, Jenny and Joe, John and Laurie, Jane and Dan, and Amanda. She was also Nana to Zac, Ty, Jordyn, Jack, and Henry's grandchildren.

Evelyn was the daughter of the late William and Vera (McBrien) Cowan. She was a dear sister to Mary Cox, Jack Cowan and Vern Cowan (1944).

Evelyn grew up at Maple Lake and pursued a nursing career in Toronto. In 1943, Evelyn and Dick bought lake property in Stanhope Township, and she was a driving force in the growth and development of Little Hawk Lake Resort until 1976. She served her community on both the county school board and library board as well as the building committee of Haliburton Hospital (1970).

Funeral Services were held at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.** 127 Main St. P.O. Box 427, Minden, www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Monday March 3, 2008. Spring Interment at St. Peter's Cemetery, Maple Lake.

Memorial donations to the Gideon Bibles or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

*Deaths**Deaths***Gordon Mitchell**

(Resident of Minden, Ontario)

At Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Tuesday morning, February 26, 2008 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of the late Ruby Mitchell. Loving father of Margaret Harper and Gary Mitchell (Sherry). Lovingly remembered by his grandchildren Lindsey, Kimberly, Lisa and Scott. Predeceased by his brother Harold and his sister Gladys. Also lovingly remembered by his nieces and nephews.

Graveside Service

A Graveside Service will be held at Whitechapel Memorial Gardens in the spring. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 (705)457-9209.

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Donald (Don) Gilbert Bond

*In loving memory of a
beloved husband who
passed into our memories
on March 8th 2007*

"Memory Keepsake"

Love Janet

Announcements

Deaths



HAMILTON, Susan Francis (nee Godwin) - Peacefully in the presence of her family, Susan got her wind beneath her wings and passed away in the arms of God on Friday February 29, 2008 at the P.R.H.C., Hospital Dr. site at the age of 58. Predeceased by her father William David "Bill", her mother Patricia Godwin (nee Elkerton) and her sister Barbara Closs. She will be fondly missed by her knight in shining armour, her devoted husband of 22 years, Gordon Earle Hamilton and their precious dog Cocoa. Also missed by her sister (twin) born 6 years later on Susan's birthday, Patty Crawford (Bye my best friend) and her husband Bob, sister Debbie Linhardt and her husband Mike and brother-in-law Bill Closs. Lovingly remembered by many nieces, nephews, cousins and Brodie & Missy. Friends and relatives may call at the **HENDREN FUNERAL HOME**, Lakefield on Tuesday March 4, 2008 from 7-9 PM and on Wednesday March 5, 2008 from 9:30-10:30 AM, followed by a funeral service at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, Lakefield at 11:00 AM. Cremation. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall of the church. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society as expressions of sympathy. Friends may arrange flowers, donations and condolences at www.hendrenfuneralhome.com or by calling 705-652-3355.

Till we meet again "Sweet Pea"
There is another bright star shining above

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HOPE, Richard - The town of Minden has lost another friend. Richard (Dick) Hope passed away due to a long term illness on Feb. 29th in Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital. Husband of Heather, father of Susie, Dick will be missed by friends and family alike. Dick was the founder of the local electronics store Hope Satellite TV and operated his business for many years in Minden. In respect of Dick's wishes there will be no service or memorial.

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Deaths

HULBIG, Freda Helen - Passed away peacefully in her sleep at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Tuesday, February 26, 2008. In her 86th year.

Beloved wife of John Stuart Hulbig. Loving mother of David and Jill, and grandmother of Andrea, Brandon, Bryan and Nicolas. Predeceased by her sister Wilma Johnstone. Fondly remembered by her family and friends in the Minden community.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.** P.O. Box 427, Minden KOM 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Thursday evening from 7-9 pm. Then to the Minden United Church for the Funeral Service on Friday, February 29, 2008 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the church (downstairs). Spring Interment at Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery, Carnarvon.

Memorial donations to the Hyland Crest Resident's Council or to the Minden United Church would be appreciated by the family.

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Obituaries

In Memory Of Mona Dean

Mona Dean was a long time resident of Moore Falls. She died at the age of 81 on February 17, 2008. She was cremated with tentative plans for a service in the spring.

Mona was definitely a person worth remembering. I came to know Mona through her pets. She started out as a client, and over the years she became my friend. I first knew Mona when I was just 15 years old, a student working at the local vet clinic. Her dog Jessie at that time was a dog to be taken seriously - he hated veterinarians with a passion - and only someone as strong willed as Mona could handle him. So Mona made an impression on me at a very young age, and she would continue to do so over the next twenty-five years.

Mona belonged to the community of Moore Falls, and she had many neighbors that were part of her circle of friends. Many of whom, I know, Mona loved like family. Mona chose to remain in the community after her friend Shirley died; in fact she lived the majority of her senior years alone here. Mona reveled in independence, and becoming a senior was more of a hindrance than anything, in her mind. Mona was only twenty-one, and a failing 81 year old body was a frustration for her. She worried about being a nuisance to anyone, and preferred to do all that she possibly could on her own, even in poor health. It would serve a person well in life, to have even just half the amount of determination that Mona had.

Mona loved the outdoors, gardening, and Haliburton County. She once told me that she was so lucky to be able to live her dream here. She especially loved horses, dogs and small children (in about that order). She enjoyed a shot of Rye in her coffee, home fried potatoes and a cold beer on a hot day. Mona was hip, and yes I considered her to be a cool individual. She was someone you could hold a conversation with all day, and never be tired of her, or you could just kick back with a coffee and watch TV saying nothing. It was ok either way.

For me, Mona always had words of encouragement - a smile and a laugh. I am sure that she underestimated what a positive influence she was. Mona became friends with my Mom, and my sister Jane. I know that they too will miss her. She was a good neighbor, and I am sure that the Green Gables road will miss her charging around in her golf cart. Mona was as honest as the day can be long, and she had a kind and generous heart. She was a remarkable person with a really beautiful soul. The most amazing thing Mona ever gave me was the desire to want to be a better person - knowing her did that for me.

I know that Mona would look at me, and tell me not to be so foolish as to cry over an old woman like her. But I would have to say that I just can not help it. Mona was my friend, and I loved her. I will miss her. I know that Mona has gone on to join Shirley, Jessie, Balou and Devo. God Bless her. Each spring when the asparagus grows I will remember her.

- Suzanne Harrison

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Card of thanks

From the Family of Henry Trocewicz

Thank you
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- Barb Trocewicz

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In memoriam

DUTKA, Stanley - In loving memory of a dear husband who passed away March 9, 2007.

A million times I've needed you
A million times I've cried,
If love could have saved you dear
you never would have died.
Things we feel most deeply
Are the hardest things to say,
My dearest Stan I loved you
In a very special way.
If I could have one lifetime wish
One dream that could come true,
I'd pray to God with all my heart
For yesterday and you.

- Love Always, Jean and family.

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THOMSON, Douglas - In memory of a very beloved Husband, Father and Poppa who left us February 23, 2007.

We thought of you with love today,
But that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday
and days before that too.
We think of you in silence
and we often speak your name.
All we have are memories
and your picture in a frame.
Your memory is our keepsake
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We have you in our hearts

- Arlene, Dale, Karen, Shelley and their families

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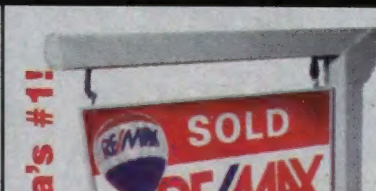
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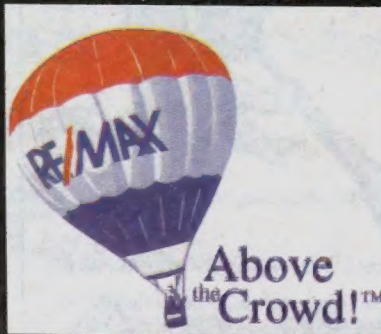


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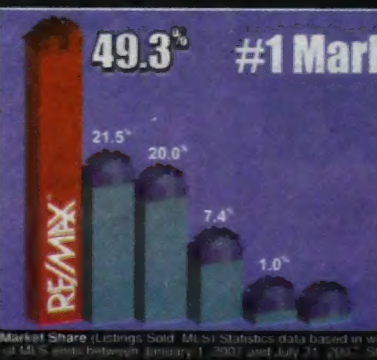
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